

REMARKS

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 2, 2005. According to the Notice, the Amendment that was filed on May 27, 2005 does not fully comply with the claim amendment requirements under 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Regarding the lack of compliance, in item 4E in the Notice, the following is stated:

The amendments to claims 1, 3, 11, 14, 18 do not properly identify removed and added subject matter. All of the added subject matter has not been underlined nor has all of the deleted subject matter lined through. The notation used is also inconsistent. Brackets and line-throughs are used in claim 3.

Accordingly, the present claim amendments represent a corrected "amendments to the claims" section, regarding the earlier filed responsive Amendment, including a complete listing of all the claims in which both the removed and added subject matter are properly identified in the accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121 and as per USPTO procedures.

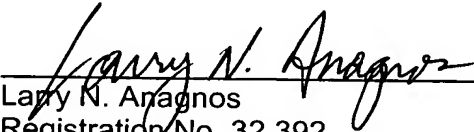
If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicant's undersigned representative at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135

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Respectfully submitted,

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